

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1055

By Clabough

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Whitney Marie Latham,
2004 Valedictorian of Sevier County High
School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Whitney Marie Latham is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Latham has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Whitney Latham has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, lending her support and leadership to numerous organizations, Miss Latham is a member of several extracurricular and community activities, including Sevierville Teen Board Secretary, Interact Club Fundraising Coordinator, Super Sevierian, DECA, National Beta Club, National Honor Society, and Relay for Life Volunteer; and

WHEREAS, Whitney's accomplishments and promise have been evident during her high school tenure, and she has received numerous local, regional, and national awards, including National Honor Society, Super Sevierian, 4.0 Award, Gold Honor Roll, Top Ten Percent of High School Class, and *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished athlete, Whitney has been a varsity cheerleader for the high school's football and basketball teams; her dedication and ability as a cheerleader has

earned her recognition as the Tennessee Titans Radio Scholar Athlete, *Who's Who Among American High School Students - Sports Edition*, and All-American Cheerleader; and

WHEREAS, Miss Latham's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success, which includes plans to attend either the University of Tennessee at Knoxville or Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tennessee, in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Miss Latham's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother, Kathy C. Latham, her school, and her community; her academic and athletic promise was also a source of pride and joy for her father, the late Jerry Latham; and

WHEREAS, Whitney Latham's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Whitney Marie Latham, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.